

WEATHER TODAY.	
Fair Saturday and Sunday.	
Salt Lake Metal Prices.	
Copper	58 1/2
Aluminum	54 3/4
Steel (New York)	\$6.45 @ 6.60
Iron	\$15.21 1/4

The Salt Lake Tribune.

The best grade of home work-ers watch the Wants carefully.

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REEVE BREAKS AND DISASTER SOON FOLLOWS

More Than Hundred Square Miles of Rich Farming Land in the Reelfoot Lake, Tennessee, District Now Bottom of Inland Sea.

REFUGEES CROWD THE RIVER TOWNS

Many People Probably Drowned in the Wild Rush of Water; No Relief Is in Sight for the Flood-Doomed Sections of Country.

International News Service. ST. LOUIS, April 5.—There is no relief in sight tonight for the flood-doomed sections of the lower Mississippi valley. All indications are that the water will go higher and the present damage will be but a small part of what is to follow. These indications are based on reports of phenomenal rises at points above the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and on weather bureau predictions. The government levee a short distance from Hickman, Ky., on the Mississippi, holding the famous fertile Reelfoot district gave way shortly before midnight. Over a hundred square miles of splendid farming lands were swept under the sea that rolled in a tidal wave. At Hickman, where the Minneapolis team the American association is training, thirty under water. Between seven and ten thousand people outside the town have been rendered homeless. Farm houses were swept away like so many straws. The loss of livestock will be immense. Wade is leading a rescue party in the flooded district tonight. Hundreds of carcasses of animals are floating in the flood and the current of the Mississippi is raking through the hunting camp of Reelfoot lake and the scene of many of the night-riders crimes and deaths.

Many People Drowned.

Deaths of loss of life are current, but in the several days before news can be received from isolated places not reached by the temporary lake of water, loss and wreckage. It is the opinion of refugees in Paducah that many people have been drowned. The highest point within the junction of the Mississippi, Ohio and the Ohio and Tennessee is crowded with people who have been driven by the floods from the low lands of the three rivers. Thousands are in tents pitched on high places on the Mississippi. In many sections the people are scarce and hundreds of women and children are living in caves. Supplies are being hurried from Paducah and other places, but the majority of cases the relief expeditions are checked by flooded lowlands which they reach their destination.

Out Off.

The city is entirely surrounded by water and transportation on all railroads is cut off. A trip around the levees will give a better idea of the vast area that is inundated than can be drawn from verbal or printed description. The situation tonight, however, is encouraging. All levees about the city are safe and sound. Plenty of men and material are on hand prepared to meet any emergency necessary on a moment's notice. The city is considered secure. The breaking of the government levee at Hickman is expected to flood the Cairo.

Wrecked Camping.

Along the high embankment that the bridge approach refugees from the city have gathered together what personal effects they managed to save. Yesterday afternoon and are making most of their misfortune, thank God they escaped with their lives. Governor Deneen ordered 100 tents sent

SENATE DISCUSSES THE PRINTING BILL

House Debates the Indian Appropriation Measure, Which Will Be Passed Today.

MONEY TRUST INQUIRY

Minority Leader Mann Scores the Majority for Frittering Away Money.

By International News Service. WASHINGTON, April 5.—Senator Penrose, from the committee on finance, today reported adversely the Underwood bill revising the metal schedule of the tariff. Senator Simmons gave notice of a minority report of the Democrats in favor of the bill and Senator Cummins announced he would present some amendments to the bill and endeavor to ascertain when the measure would be taken up for consideration. Senator Penrose would give him no assurance but said he would do all he could to facilitate the disposition of the measure. In reply to a question from Senator Bristow regarding the Lorimer case, Senator Jones said the investigating committee was at work on the report and would present it as soon as possible. The credentials of Senator Obidiah Gardner, recently elected by the Maine legislature, were presented by Senator Johnson and he took the oath of office. Senate conferees were appointed on the Sherwood pension bill. Most of the afternoon was spent in discussion of the printing bill. The committee on education and labor reported favorably without amendment the eight-hour labor bill. Relief Bill Passed. A joint resolution reported by Senator Cullum appropriating \$10,000 for the relief of Mount City, Ill., which is threatened by the Ohio-river flood was passed. The house devoted another day to debate on the Indian bill today. It is believed that the bill, which appropriates for the maintenance of the Indian service, will be passed tomorrow. Before resuming consideration of the measure, the house passed a resolution clothing the judiciary committee with power to conduct its part of the money trust investigation. Representative Olmstead of Pennsylvania was elected to the committee on pensions, filling the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Bingham. Representative Lindberg was elected to the vacancy on the committee on election of presidents and vice presidents and Representative Moore of Pennsylvania was named to fill a vacancy on foreign affairs.

Mann Scores Majority.

During the debate on the Indian bill Minority Leader Mann scored the present session as an "investigating conference." (Continued on Page Two.)

JAPAN DENIES DESIGNS UPON THIS COUNTRY

Tokio Government Disclaims All Knowledge of Attempt to Lease Land in Vicinity of Magdalena Bay, Mex.

PRESIDENT TAFT TO REPORT NEXT WEEK

Captain Hobson Suspicious of the Orientals; Mexican Rebels Enter Parral and Find the Fort Deserted.

Special Cable to The Tribune. TOKIO, April 5.—Denial of the report that Japan is seeking to lease Magdalena bay was made today by the foreign office. The report is declared to be utter baseless and probably due to the fact that several years ago a one-time member of the diet and some other individual went to Mexico and sought to obtain fishing concessions. Japan, it is stated, does not dream of procuring a foothold on the American continent.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—President Taft's response to the Lodge resolution calling for information regarding Japanese negotiations for the purchase of land on Magdalena bay in Lower California probably will not reach the senate until next week and it is believed that before the information can be compiled all danger of friction will have passed. The Lodge resolution, according to a member of the senate foreign relations committee, grew out of the knowledge that a company composed largely of Japanese was on the eve of purchasing 4,000,000 acres of land, the title of which is held by a Maine corporation known as the Charter Company of Lower California. The Japanese government never has appeared to have any connection with the negotiations, but because the land is practically worthless, suspicion attached to the eagerness of the syndicate to obtain it and it was considered at least the part of caution to prevent a transfer which might involve complications in the future. Already information has been received indicating that the negotiations are off and it is believed there is no further ground for apprehension. Senator Lodge was in conference with the president today regarding the correspondence, and it is said he is co-operating with the administration. When sent to the senate the correspondence will be accompanied by a message from the president. Hobson Suspicious. By International News Service. WASHINGTON, April 5.—That Japan is seeking to irritate the United States

Colonel Comes West.

PITTSBURGH, April 5.—On his way to Chicago to throw himself into the fight for the Illinois delegation to the Republican national convention, Colonel Roosevelt passed through Pittsburgh tonight. His train one hour and a half late. He is scheduled to arrive in Chicago tomorrow morning. The colonel spent most of the day in preparing the speech which he is to deliver at Springfield, Ill., tomorrow night. This is to be the principal speech of his campaign in Illinois. Only one speech of any length was on Colonel Roosevelt's programme for today. It was at Martinsburg, W. Va., where a large crowd at the public square heard the former president's appeal for support at the county convention to be held tomorrow in Martinsburg. It was Colonel Roosevelt's intention to rest as much as possible today and make no speeches from the train, but at a few points the crowds at the station were so insistent that he spoke. "You don't help people to get forward and up through the professional politicians," he said, at Connelville, Pa. "What the professional politician is concerned with, is holding his job. Therefore, I want the real rule of the people." Speeches have been arranged for tomorrow at Rockford, Freeport and Springfield, Ill., in addition to which the colonel will talk wherever crowds gather at the stations. He is to remain in Springfield over Sunday and on Monday

LA FOLLETTE IN PRAIRIE STATE SEEKING VOTES

Tells Nebraskans the Rule of the Few Must End and the Whole People Must Have a Voice.

GOVERNOR WILSON IN SUCKER STATE

Colonel Roosevelt to Speak at Springfield, Ill., Tonight; Nevada to Hold Primaries Today.

DRUGGIST IS SHOT HIGHWAYMEN FLEE

James O'Connor, druggist, who was shot as he drew revolver on holdups in his store.



Proprietor Lies Wounded Half an Hour Before Discovered; Suspects Held.

ANOTHER MAN HELD UP

Pair Answering Description of Drug Store Thieves in Second Holdup.

IN a brave attempt to foil two highwaymen who entered his store and held him up with revolvers, James O'Connor, proprietor of the Oquirrh Pharmacy, Fourth East and Fourth South streets, was shot and dangerously wounded at 11 o'clock last night. The highwaymen escaped with \$30 taken from the cash drawer. O'Connor lay struggling on the floor in the rear of the store for half an hour, unable to call for help. The bullet having shattered his left jawbone and penetrated the lower portion of his tongue. Two boys, C. A. Thompson, 232 East Fifth South street, and Carl Hoyland, 522 East Third South street, discovered the wounded man and called the police. They entered the store to buy soda water and were attracted to the rear room by groans and the sound of struggling. O'Connor was found lying in a pool of blood in the doorway behind the prescription counter. Across the room was another splash of blood and near it lay O'Connor's revolver with every chamber loaded. Though weak from loss of blood O'Connor managed to gasp out that he had been held up and that one of the robbers had shot him just as he drew his own revolver. The police arrived on the scene in the motor patrol several minutes after the call was received and O'Connor was rushed to the emergency hospital at the city jail, where Dr. H. B. Sprague administered first aid and ordered him sent to St. Mark's hospital. Except for the loss of blood and the possibility of infection the wound is not considered serious. The bullet entered the left cheek, broke the jawbone, ploughed through the back of the throat and emerged just below the right ear. O'Connor was able to furnish only a meager description of the robbers. Both were young men, wore dark clothing and had white handkerchiefs over their faces for masks. After his wound had been dressed at the hospital the druggist revived sufficiently to describe the shooting. "I was getting ready to close the store

SCREAMS FOR HELP IN CROWDED CAFE

Young Woman Says Man Insulted Her and Police Arrest Him.

While the evening patronage was at its height in the Louvre cafe under the Semloh hotel shortly after 10 o'clock last night, a smartly gowned, good looking young woman rushed from one of the private dining booths, screaming for help. Help came in the shape of half a dozen colored waiters and as many male guests from all sides of the dining room. They found a well dressed young man seated at the table inside the booth holding a revolver in one hand and drinking champagne with the other. The young woman demanded the arrest of her escort. The police were called, the waiters having in the meantime disarmed the man. At the police station he gave his name as R. Evans and his occupation as an engineer in the fudge building. The woman gave her name as Margaret Hansen. She is a guest at the Semloh hotel, registered from Mt. Pleasant, Utah. "I met the man in a social way Thursday evening," Miss Hansen told the police. "He invited me to dinner last night and towards the end of the dinner he spoke insultingly to me. When I resented his remarks he drew a gun and would have struck me with it had I not fled from the booth." Evans offered no explanation of his conduct. He was locked in the city jail on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. In one of his pockets was found a small phial containing what the police declare is a form of drug sometimes used in administering "knockout drops" in drinks. Miss Hansen declared she would swear to a complaint against Evans today.

Secretary Knox in Cuba.

FISHERMAN'S POINT, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, April 5.—The United States cruiser Washington arrived here today with Secretary of State Knox on board. Mr. Knox immediately trans-shipped to the gunboat Eagle and proceeded to Santiago, where he arrived at 1 o'clock. The secretary's visit is unofficial. He will spend the day and tomorrow night seeing returning on board the Washington Sunday, when he will sail for Kingston, Jamaica.

CHURCH GAINS, SAYS MORMON HEAD OF FLOCK

President Smith Opens the Eighty-Second Conference of Latter-Day Saints With Address in Which He Declares Payment of Tithes Is Entirely Voluntary.

DENIES CHARGES MADE BY "ENEMIES"

In Specific Terms the Prophet Declares That the Religious Organization He Represents Does Not Stand for Commercialism, and Does Not Make Use of Coercion.

WITH a great congregation present at each of the two sessions of the day, notwithstanding the rain, the eighty-second annual conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints opened yesterday at the big tabernacle in this city, with President Joseph F. Smith in charge of the services. There were five speakers in all, they being Presidents Joseph F. Smith, Anthony H. Lund, Charles W. Penrose, Francis M. Lyman and Apostle Heber J. Grant. President Smith's opening address was in greeting to the assembled multitude, and was partly devoted to a review of the general condition of the church. He declared that the organization was in better temporal condition than ever before; denied that the church was becoming despiritualized; asserted that the church was not being commercialized; protested that members of the organization were not compelled to pay tithes; and proclaimed that the church and the Mormon people were being criticized and opposed by their enemies only upon false premises. Many Officials Attend. There was a large attendance of presidents of stakes and bishops and their counselors and members of the various priesthood quorums. When the eighty-second annual conference opened at 10 o'clock yesterday morning the presiding authorities of the church were in their places, as were nine of the twelve apostles and six of the first seven presidents of seventies. President Joseph F. Smith and Counselors Anthony H. Lund and Charles W. Penrose occupied the higher pulpit. With them and in the second pulpit were Apostles Francis M. Lyman, Heber J. Grant, Hyrum M. Smith, George F. Richards, Anthony W. Ivins, Orson F. Whitney, David O. McKay, Joseph F. Smith, Jr., and James E. Talmage. High Authorities Present. Of the first seven presidents of seventies there were Seymour B. Young, Jonathan Golden Kimball, Joseph W. McGurkin, Ruon S. Wells, Brigham H. Roberts and Charles H. Hart. All of these, together with Patriarchs Angus M. Cannon, Sr., Joseph E. Taylor and Thomas Dabson, occupied the three principal pulpits. Below them, and directly in front of the sacrament altar, were Presidents Ben E. Rich of the eastern states mission, Joseph E. Robinson of the California mission, Melvin J. Ballard of the northwestern states mission, Samuel O. Benson of the central states mission, German E. Ellsworth of the northern states mission, John L. Herrick of the western states mission and Charles A. Callis of the southern states mission. With the higher authorities were Charles W. Nibley, Orrin P. Miller and David A. Smith, constituting the presiding bishopric. Ranged in the upper stands to the right and left of the presiding authorities were presidents of the Y. L. and Y. M. M. I. associations, the primaries and the relief societies. In the immediate front of the stand, and extending almost half way back into the auditorium, were presidents of stakes and bishops and their respective counselors. Prof. Evan Stephens directed the choir, with Edward P. Kimball at the organ. Unique Solo Feature. An exceedingly attractive feature of the morning session was a solo by Miss Amelia Margetta, daughter of George B. Margetta, 26 East Fourth South street, this city. The young lady sang "O, My Father," rendering the composition in the Spanish language. She has a splendid voice, which she utilized to great advantage, singing in the utmost confidence.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ADMITTED 75 MEMBERS YESTERDAY—WHEN WILL YOU JOIN?

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